

MICHIGAN VETERANS HARM REDUCTION SUMMIT:

VFW NATIONAL HOME OCTOBER 15, 2024



EXPLORING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MEDICATION & VETERAN SUICIDE

The summit will host keynote presentations by **Robert Whitaker** and **Kim Witczak**. **Whitaker** is an investigative journalist and the best-selling author of *Mad in America* and *Anatomy of an Epidemic*; and **Witczak** who lost her husband to prescribed harm in 2003, went on to advocate for the FDA to add the Box Warning on antidepressants, and has since served on the FDA's Psychopharmacological Advisory Board.



Veterans will share their personal experiences in mental health treatment and will be joined by families sharing their stories of loss and recovery. Attendees will learn about the history of veteran mental health, medication risk profiles and side effects, safe deprescribing techniques, and much more.



The Grunt Style Foundation is proud to host this event in partnership with the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency, The Michigan Commander's Group and the American Legion Department of Michigan. This event is the first in the nation to address the role of medication overprescribing in the veteran suicide epidemic, and solutions moving forward, with the goal of reducing harm and saving lives.



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